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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants - MA&UD Department – Allegations of misappropriation of funds and certain irregularities such as failure to enforce the societies to adhere to agreement conditions; no proper monitoring the night sanitation work and attendance and false wage claims etc., causing wrongful loss of Rs.70.94 lakhs per annum occurred to the GVMC., Visakhapatnam - Departmental action initiated against Sri T.Srinivas, Assistant Medical Officer and eight (8) other officials of GVMC., Visakhapatnam under Rule-20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Articles of Charges issued – Enquiry conducted – Charges held not proved - Further action dropped - Orders - Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.835 **Dated.02 .11.2022.**

Read the following:-

1. From the Director General, G.A. (V&E) Department, Vigilance Report No.34 (C.No.49/V&E/D1/2017), Dated.06.05.2017.
2. G.O.Rt.No.1595 to 1604, MA&UD (E1) Department, dated.04.11.2013.
3. Written Statement of Defences of Dr. D.Abbulu, CMOH (retired) and other officials, GVMC., Visakhapatnam.
4. G.O.Rt.No.232, MA&UD (Vig.I) Department, dated.08.03.2018.
5. G.O.Rt.No.233, MA&UD (Vig.I) Department, dated.08.03.2018.
6. Enquiry Report from the Commissioner & Enquiry Officer, Kakinada Municipal Corporation, Roc.No.173/2018, Dated.05.11.2019.
7. Govt.Memo.No.13386/Vig.I/2013, dated.15.10.2020 & further reminders.
8. From the Commissioner, GVMC., Visakhapatnam, Letter Rc.No.015465/2013/F3/PH, dated.29.01.2022.
9. Govt.Memo.No.13386/Vig.I/2013, dated.13.07.2022.
10. G.O.Rt.No.680, MA&UD (Vig.I) Department, dated.13.09.2022.
11. Written Representations of Sri T.Srinivas, Assistant Medical Officer and nine (9) other charged officials of GVMC., Visakhapatnam.

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O R D E R:

Whereas, it has been brought to the notice of the Government by the Director General, G.A. (V&E) Department that, the Vigilance & Enforcement Department enquired into the allegations of misappropriation of funds and certain irregularities such as failure to enforce the societies to adhere to agreement conditions; no proper monitoring the night sanitation work and attendance and false wage claims etc., causing wrongful loss of Rs.70.94 lakhs per annum occurred to the GVMC., Visakhapatnam. In the reference 1st read above, among others, it has been recommended to initiated disciplinary action against Sri T.Srinivas, Assistant Medical Officer and nine (9) other officials of GVMC., Visakhapatnam.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, Government initiated disciplinary proceedings by framing articles of charges against Sri T.Srinivas, Assistant Medical Officer and nine (9) other charged officials of GVMC., Visakhapatnam and directed them to submit their written statement of defences thereon.

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3. Having not convinced with the written statement of defences of the charged officers, Government appointed Sri K.Ramesh, Regional Director-cum-Appellate Commissioner of Municipal Administration, Visakhapatnam as an Enquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against Sri T.Srinivas, Assistant Medical Officer and nine (9) other charged officers of GVMC., Visakhapatnam and to submit report vide reference 4th read above. In the reference 5th read above, Sri A.Hemanth, Chief Medical Officer of Health, GVMC., Visakhapatnam was appointed as Presenting Officer, to present the case before the inquiry authority on behalf of disciplinary authority.

4. In the reference 6th read above, the Inquiry Officer Sri K.Ramesh, Commissioner, Kakinada Municipal Corporation has stated that, enquiry notices were served on all the charged officers except Sri Dr. D.Abbulu, CMOH (who expired on 24.07.2018 after retiring from the service on attaining the age of superannuation on 30.09.2012) and submitted his enquiry report in respect of other nine (9) charged officers for further necessary action.

5. Whereas, Government after careful examination of the Enquiry Report, requested the Commissioner, GVMC., Visakhapatnam to examine the findings of the I.A., whether the violations on that particular day and on all other days work was attended properly or not and furnish detailed report in the matter. The Commissioner, GVMC., Visakhapatnam in his report among others has stated that, the night sanitation work was entrusted on area based particularly and the contractor is responsible for overall cleaning of the areas everyday as well as maintenance of all roads. Absence of any one or two workers in each unit/package may happens and contractor was entirely responsible to make alternative workers in the absence of workers engaged by the contractor to complete the allotted work. No deficiency in sanitation or in sanitation was pointed out by the GVMC. The absence of one or two workers might have been occurred on that particular day i.e. 07.03.2011 only and not on every day. The then Commissioner, GVMC has replied clearly to the V&E officials that there were no adverse remarks recorded by the Commissioner, GVMC in this subject matter. Finally, the Commissioner, GVMC., Visakhapatnam has requested the Government to take necessary further action in this matter vide reference 8th read above.

6. In the reference 9th read above, while communicating a copy of Enquiry report under Rule 21 (2) of A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991, the charged officers Sri T.Srinivas, Assistant Medical Officer and eight (8) other charged officials (except Dr. D.Abbulu, CMOH, who expired on 24.07.2018) of GVMC., Visakhapatnam were directed to submit their written representations, if any, on the findings of Enquiry Report.

7. In the reference 10th read above, Govt. after following due procedure, issued orders abating further action against Late (Dr.) D.Abbulu, the then Chief Medical Officer of Health, GVMC., Visakhapatnam, subject to recovery of Government dues / loss, if any by him, to the Government exchequer, in terms of Rule 9 (7) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980, as he expired on 24.07.2018.

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8. In the reference 11th read above, all the nine (9) charged officers have submitted their written representations, accepted the findings of the Enquiry Report and requested to drop further disciplinary proceedings against them.

9. Government after careful examination of the matter, it has been decided to drop further action against (1) Sri T.Srinivas, the then Assistant Medical Officer, (2) Sri J.Sanjeeva Kumar, the then Assistant Medical Officer (now retired), (3) Sri K.Madhusudhana Prasad, the then Assistant Medical Officer, (4) Sri M.Syam Sundara Rao, the then Sanitary Supervisor (now retired), (5) Sri G.Sanyasi Rao, the then Sanitary Supervisor (now retired), (6) Sri M.Eswara Rao, Health Assistant, (7) Sri E.Venkata Swamy, Health Assistant, (8) Sri S.Srinivasa Rao, the then Health Assistant and (9) Sri N.Srinivasa Rao, the then Health Assistant, GVMC., Visakhapatnam, keeping in view of the findings of the enquiry report, clarification report of the Commissioner, GVMC., Visakhapatnam and written representations of the charged officers.

10. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action against (1) Sri T.Srinivas, the then Assistant Medical Officer, (2) Sri J.Sanjeeva Kumar, the then Assistant Medical Officer (now retired), (3) Sri K.Madhusudhana Prasad, the then Assistant Medical Officer, (4) Sri M.Syam Sundara Rao, the then Sanitary Supervisor (now retired), (5) Sri G.Sanyasi Rao, the then Sanitary Supervisor (now retired), (6) Sri M.Eswara Rao, Health Assistant, (7) Sri E.Venkata Swamy, Health Assistant, (8) Sri S.Srinivasa Rao, the then Health Assistant and (9) Sri N.Srinivasa Rao, the then Health Assistant, GVMC., Visakhapatnam.

11. The Commissioner, GVMC., Visakhapatnam shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

12. The receipt of G.O., shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Y.SRILAKSHMI
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri T.Srinivas, Assistant Medical Officer, GVMC., Visakhapatnam
- **through** the Commissioner, GVMC., Visakhapatnam.
Sri J.Sanjeeva Kumar, Assistant Medical Officer, GVMC., Visakhapatnam
- **through** the Commissioner, GVMC., Visakhapatnam.
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Sri M.Syam Sundara Rao, Sanitary Supervisor, GVMC., Visakhapatnam
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The Director General, G.A. (V&E) Department, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Secretary to A.P. Vigilance Commission, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi
The Principal Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Vijayawada.
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SECTION OFFICER.